



In the entire Bible there is no example of a perfect mother. However, there are several mothers who can be used as models of godly parenting. Hannah is one of them. Her story is one of faith, heartbreak, and obedience. When Hannah's life is closely examined there are several actions on her part that helped mold Samuel into the godly man he became. Let's examine some of the ways that Hannah gained God's favor as a godly mother.

I. Hannah _____ for a child.

- A. It was a _____ prayer.
- B. It was a _____ prayer.
- C. It was a _____ prayer.
- D. A mother's prayer can have an _____ impact.
- E. Sometimes prayer changes _____, but usually prayer changes _____.

II. Hannah _____ her child.

- A. She understood that Samuel was a _____ from God.
- B. She realized that her time with Samuel was _____.

III. Hannah _____ her child.

- A. Releasing Samuel at such a young age had to have been _____-_____ for Hannah.
- B. Although few mothers will have to completely release their child at such a young age, a wise, godly mother does _____ releasing her child at a young age.
- C. A wise mother knows that the ultimate goal is for her child to one day be physically, emotionally, and spiritually _____ and _____ of her.

IV. Hannah continued to _____ love.

A. Though the journey was long, Hannah visited Samuel on a _____ basis and brought him new _____ that she had made for him.

B. Godly mothers want to express love _____ that they possibly can.

V. Hannah _____ a commitment to God.

A. She demonstrates her commitment to God by keeping a _____ promise.

B. You don't have to be _____ to raise a child to love God, but do your best to model a faith that is real and _____.